WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1 1. A process for producing a fluorine containing, polymerizable
2 styrene monomer represented by the formula (2), the process comprising
3 the steps of:

(a) reacting a compound represented by the formula (1) with a compound represented by the formula (3), in the presence of a metal catalyst, thereby producing a compound represented by the formula (4);

(b) reacting the compound represented by the formula (4) with a base, thereby producing a compound represented by the formula (5); and

(c) reacting the compound represented by the formula (5) with hydrogen, in the presence of a metal catalyst and one of a phosphine and an amine, thereby producing the fluorine-containing, polymerizable styrene monomer represented by the formula (2),

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CF_{3} \\
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\end{pmatrix}$ n

where R1 a methyl group or trifluoromethyl group,

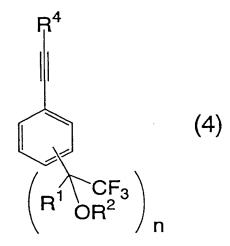
R² is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl group, each of the alkyl group and the aryl group independently having a carbon atom number of 1 to 25, independently having a straight-chain, branched or ring form, and independently and optionally having at least one of a fluorine atom, an oxygen atom, and a carbonyl bond,

R³ is a halogen atom or alkylsulfonyl group, and n is 1 or 2,

where R^1 , R^2 and n respectively correspond to those of the formula (1),

$$= R^4$$
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where R⁴ is C(OH)R⁵R⁶ or SiR⁷R⁸R⁹ where each of R⁵ to R⁹ independently has a carbon atom number of 1 to 25, independently is an alkyl group or aryl group, and independently and optionally has, in place of a carbon atom, at least one of a hetero atom and a substituent, and where each of R⁵ and R⁶ independently and optionally contains a fluorinated alkyl group,



where R¹, R² and n respectively correspond to those of the formula (1), and R⁴ corresponds to that of the formula (3),

where R^1 , R^2 and n respectively correspond to those of the formula (1).

A process according to claim 1, wherein the compound represented by the formula (4) is a compound represented by one of the formulas (6) to (9).

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3. A process according to claim 1, wherein the compound represented by the formula (5) is a compound represented by the formula (10) or (11).

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- 1 4. A process according to claim 1, wherein R¹ of the formula (1) is a trifluoromethyl group.
- 1 5. A process according to claim 1, wherein R² of the formula (2) is a hydrogen atom.
- 1 6. A process according to claim 1, R³ of the formula (1) is a bromine atom, iodine atom, or trifluoromethylsulfonyl group.
- 1 7. A process according to claim 1, wherein the metal catalyst of the
- step (a) is selected from the group consisting of copper complexes, iron
- 3 complexes, cobalt complexes, nickel complexes, rhodium complexes,
- 4 palladium complexes, ruthenium complexes, platinum complexes, and
- 5 combinations of these complexes.
- 1 8. A process according to claim 1, wherein the metal catalyst of the
- step (a) is a combination of a palladium complex and a copper complex.
- 1 9. A process according to claim 1, wherein the metal catalyst of the
- 2 step (a) comprises a palladium complex, and wherein the step (a) is
- 3 conducted in the presence of a phosphine.
- 1 10. A process according to claim 8, wherein the step (a) is conducted in
- the presence of a base.

- 1 11. A process according to claim 1, wherein the base of the step (b) is
- 2 sodium carbonate or potassium carbonate.
- 1 12. A process according to claim 1, wherein the metal catalyst of the
- step (c) comprises a metal selected from the group consisting of palladium,
- 3 platinum, rhodium, ruthenium, and nickel.
- 1 13. A process according to claim 12, wherein the metal catalyst of the
- 2 step (c) comprises palladium and one of barium sulfate and calcium
- з carbonate.
- 1 14. A compound represented by one of the following formulas (6) to (11), which is an intermediate in the process according to claim 1.

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1 15. A process for producing a fluorine containing, polymerizable styrene

2 monomer represented by the formula (2), the process comprising the step

of reacting a compound represented by the formula (1) with a compound

4 represented by the formula (12), in the presence of a metal catalyst,

thereby producing the fluorine containing, polymerizable styrene monomer

6 represented by the formula (2),

$$\begin{pmatrix}
R^{3} \\
CF_{3} \\
OR^{2}
\end{pmatrix}_{n}$$

where R1 a methyl group or trifluoromethyl group,

R² is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl group, each of the alkyl group and the aryl group independently having a carbon atom number of 1 to 25, independently having a straight-chain, branched or ring form, and independently and optionally having at least one of a fluorine atom, an oxygen atom, and a carbonyl bond,

R³ is a halogen atom or alkylsulfonyl group, and n is 1 or 2,

$$R^{10}$$
 (12)

where R¹⁰ is a hydrogen atom, MgX, SnR¹¹R¹²R¹³, SiR¹⁴R¹⁵R¹⁶, or B(OR¹⁷)(OR¹⁸) where each of R¹¹ to R¹⁸ independently has a carbon atom number of 1 to 25, independently is an alkyl group or aryl group, and independently and optionally has, in place of a carbon atom, at least one of a hetero atom and a substituent, and where X represents a halogen atom,

where R^1 , R^2 and n respectively correspond to those of the formula (1).

- 1 16. A process according to claim 15, R3 of the formula (1) is a bromine
- atom, iodine atom, or trifluoromethylsulfonyl group.
- 1 17. A process according to claim 15, wherein the metal catalyst is
- 2 selected from the group consisting of iron complexes, cobalt complexes,
- 3 nickel complexes, rhodium complexes, palladium complexes, ruthenium
- 4 complexes, and platinum complexes.
- 1 18. A process according to claim 15, wherein the step is conducted in the
- 2 presence of a phosphine.
- 1 19. A process according to claim 15, wherein the step is conducted in the
- 2 presence of a base, in case that R¹⁰ of the formula (12) is a hydrogen atom
- or $B(OR^{17})(OR^{18})$.
- 1 20. A process according to claim 15, wherein the step is conducted in the
- 2 presence of a nucleophilic reagent, in case that R¹⁰ of the formula (12) is
- $3 SiR^{14}R^{15}R^{16}$.
- 1 21. A process for producing a fluorine-containing, polymerizable styrene
- 2 monomer represented by the formula (2), the process comprising reacting a

- 3 compound represented by the formula (13) with a compound represented
- by the formula (14) or (15), in the presence of a base, thereby producing the
- 5 fluorine containing, polymerizable styrene monomer represented by the
- 6 formula (2),

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$$R^1 CF_3$$
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where R¹ a methyl group or trifluoromethyl group,

R² is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an aryl group, each of the alkyl group and the aryl group independently having a carbon atom number of 1 to 25, independently having a straight-chain, branched or ring form, and independently and optionally having at least one of a fluorine atom, an oxygen atom, and a carbonyl bond,

21 n is 1 or 2,

$$R^{19}_{3}PCH_{3}X$$
 (14)

 $(R^{19}O)_3P(O)CH_3$ (15)

where R^{19} is a $C_{1\cdot 25}$ alkyl or aryl group and optionally has, in place of at least one carbon atom, at least one of a hetero atom and a substituent, and where X represents a halogen atom,

- where R^1 , R^2 and n respectively correspond to those of the formula (13).
- 1 22. A process according to claim 21, wherein the reacting is conducted
- 2 by the steps of:
- 3 (a) treating the compound represented by the formula (14) or (15)
- with a base in a solvent, thereby obtaining a product containing a
- 5 carbanion; and
- 6 (b) adding the compound represented by the formula (13) to the
- 7 product of the step (a), thereby producing the fluorine-containing,
- 8 polymerizable styrene monomer represented by the formula (2).